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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS WORKING GROUP ON COMMUNICATIONS

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1. I KNOW THAT THE MISSION IS AWARE THAT I PARTICIPATE IN THE SUB-COMMISSION ON PREVENTION OF DISCRIMINATION AND PROTECTION OF MINORITIES IN MY PERSONAL CAPACITY AS AN EXPERT. THE SUB-COMMISSION IS, I BELIEVE, THE LAST OF ANY OF THE UN INSTITUTIONS IN WHICH INDIVIDUALS AND NOT GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES SERVE.

2. SERVING IN MY PERSONAL CAPACITY IS AN ADVANTAGE FOR THE MISSION AND FOR EMBASSIES WHEN APPROACHED AS INDICATED IN REFTTEL. FURTHER, AS A PERSONAL PRINCIPLE, I DO NOT MEET WITH GOVERNMENTAL REPRESENTATIVES DURING THE PERIOD OF THE WORKING GROUP ON COMMUNICATIONS. I BELIEVE TO DO SO WOULD VIOLATE THE MANDATE UNDER WHICH THE SUBCOMMISSION FUNCTIONS.

3. DURING THE MEETINGS OF THE FULL SUB-COMMISSION, I WILL ACCEPT OPPORTUNITIES FOR EXCHANGES WITH GOVERNMENTAL REPRESENTATIVES BUT DO NOT EVEN ENCOURAGE THESE MEETINGS SO AS TO AVOID THE CHARGE OF FAVORITISM, BIAS, ETC.

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4. SPECIFICALLY, I AM REQUESTING THE MISSION IF APPROACHED

AGAIN BY BRAZILIAN REPRESENTATIVES TO SAY THAT THE MATTER HAS BEEN
BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION BUT I RESPECTFULLY DECLINE THE OPPORTUNITY
TO MEET WITH THEM DURING THE PERIOD OF THE WORKING GROUP.
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